

# SAFETY RECALL NOTICE



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## AUTOCAR SAFETY RECALL A-0603 NHTSA RECALL 06V-167

MAY, 2006

### Dear Autocar Truck Owner:

This notice is being sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

A defect relating to motor vehicle safety exists in certain WX, WXR, and WXLL 2006 model-year, heavy-duty class 8 vehicles shipped between November 9, 2004 and April 25, 2006 with VIN range 201463 through 203515.

### Safety defect:

On certain heavy-duty class 8 Xpeditors, the tabs on some of the lift axle spindle nuts may have been malformed or broken during assembly. When in place, the tabs on the spindle nut prevent the nut from loosening. When the tabs are malformed or broken, the possibility exists that the nut may spin off of the spindle.

### Potential risk:

If the spindle nut spins off, the wheel and wheel-end assembly could separate from the axle, increasing the risk of a crash.

### Precautions you can take:

Do not use the lift axles prior to the completion of this Recall. While the lift axle is not in use, you must ensure that your load stays within legal limits. Discontinuing the use of the lift axle until this recall can be performed may reduce the risk of a failure and/or crash.

### Repair:

An Autocar dealer will inspect, and if necessary, repair your vehicle at no charge to you.

### Time required for the repair:

The labor time required to inspect your vehicle and replace the lift axle spindle nut is approximately 0.5 hours per wheel-end. If the replacement of the components of the wheel-end assembly is required due to damage resulting from the loose spindle nut, the repair time will range from 1.0 to 2.0 hours per wheel-end.

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### What you should do:

Immediately contact an Autocar dealer to schedule a service appointment to have your vehicle inspected and repaired. To locate an Autocar dealer, visit [www.autocartruck.com](http://www.autocartruck.com) and select *Sales, Service & Parts*, or call 1-877-973-3486, extension 2572.

### Pre-notification repair:

If you have previously paid for repairs to the lift axle spindle nut, you may be entitled to recover any amount you paid for those repairs. Submit a copy of all documentation supporting your claim to Autocar at the address shown in the **Assistance** section.

### Notice regarding leased vehicles:

If you are a Lessor (as defined below) of a vehicle that is affected by this Notice, you are obligated under federal law to provide a copy of this Notice to the lessee of such vehicle within 10 days of your receipt of this Notice. Further, you must maintain a record which identifies the lessee(s) to whom you send a copy of this Notice, the date you send the Notice, and the VIN(s) of the vehicle(s) that you have leased to the lessee(s).

For purposes of this Notice, the term "Lessor" means a person or entity that is the owner, as reflected on the vehicle's title, of any five or more leased vehicles (as defined in 49 CFR Section 577.4), as of the date of this Notice.

### Owner recall response card:

The enclosed **Owner Recall Response Card** identifies your vehicle. Presentation of this card to any authorized Full-Service or Parts and Service Autocar dealer will assist in the processing of your vehicle in the shortest time possible. If you do not own, have sold, or have traded the vehicle identified on the card, please let us know by completing and signing the postage-paid card and returning it to Autocar at the address below.

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### Assistance:

If your vehicle has not been inspected and repaired within a reasonable time after delivering it to the dealer on the agreed-upon service date, please contact:

Autocar, LLC  
Service & Warranty Department  
P O Box 190  
Hagerstown IN 47346-0190

Toll free: 1-877-973-3486

You may also submit a complaint to:

Administrator  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
400 Seventh Street SW  
Washington DC 20590

Toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline: 1-888-327-4236  
TTY: 1-800-424-9153  
<http://www.safercar.gov>

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### Illustration of the potential issue:

**Figure 1** - Illustrates the spindle nut with the tabs, on a spindle-end

**Figure 2** - Illustrates the spindle nut with broken tabs



*Figure 1*

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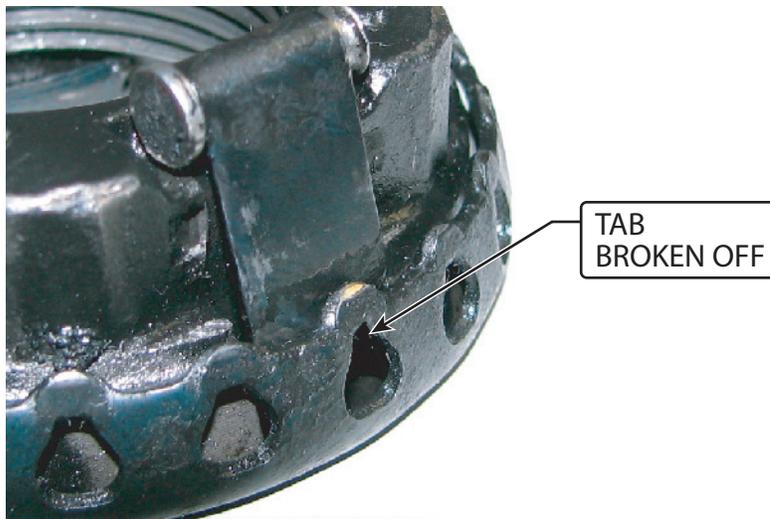


Figure 2

We regret any inconvenience this recall may cause, but we hope you recognize our concern for your safety and satisfaction with your vehicle.

Sincerely,

AUTOCAR, LLC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jo Theart".

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